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Good day, Emily,

Thank you very much for submitting comments related to the 2025 Comprehensive Plan update.

These will be added to the Comprehensive Plan Index of Record. I am including Rebecca Messinger from the Council's Office as well for awareness.

Best,

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Comments
I urge the Council to instead adopt targets aligned with the City of Vancouver: an 80% reduction in GHG emissions by 2030 and carbon neutrality by 2040. This aligns with the majority response of the County's own Climate Advisory Group, and it would position Clark County as a leader as Washougal, Ridgefield, and Camas set their own reduction targets in the near future. Unincorporated Clark County and the City of Vancouver together account for 84% of the county's total GHG emissions (40% and 44% respectively), so ambitious action in these two areas has an outsized impact on the county as a whole.

It's also worth noting there is no statutory penalty for setting a more ambitious target and later falling short, only for missing the statewide minimum. Committing to a bolder target costs nothing and buys the county more runway to adapt if interim goals are missed, while delivering air quality and public health benefits sooner rather than later.

I also urge the Council to call for a supplemental EIS under WAC 197-11-405, using the Vacant Buildable Land Model data, to develop an alternative that omits or significantly reduces urban growth boundary expansion, and ideally eliminates the de-designation of agricultural resource

lands currently protected under the Growth Management Act.

As climate change increases extreme weather and threatens crop yields, our local food system will only become more important, not less.

Reducing sprawl by accommodating housing and employment growth within existing urban growth areas, through appropriate up-zoning and infill, would also reduce vehicle miles traveled and the transportation emissions that make up 36% of the county's GHG total, reinforcing the climate goals above rather than working against them.

It is not too late for the Council to shift course. I join the 22 individuals and 16 community organizations who submitted a coalition comment on this matter in asking you to adopt GHG reduction targets aligned with the City of Vancouver, call for a supplemental EIS to significantly limit urban growth boundary expansion, and preserve Clark County's agricultural resource lands. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

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